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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Mr. Jerry C. Winslow
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SR-6J

RE: Approval of Remedial Investigation Report
Ashland/NSP Lakefront Superfund Site, Ashland, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Winslow:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reviewed the revised version of the Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA) and the response to comments on the Remedial Investigation Report (RI) sent via e-mail by Newfields on September 26, 2007, on behalf of Northern States Power Company (NSPW), (d.b.a. Xcel Energy). EPA submitted minor modifications to the August 31, 2007 version of the HHRA and RI via e-mail on September 19, 2007. On September 26, 2007, EPA received revised pages of the HHRA and a response to comment letter on the RI. EPA agreed with the proposed modifications to the HHRA and the RI responses, therefore, EPA verbally approved the RI and the HHRA on October 9, 2007. This is EPA's formal approval letter to the Final Remedial Investigation Report dated August 31, 2007.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss things further, please contact me at 312-886-1999.

Sincerely,

Scott K. Hansen
Remedial Project Manager

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